GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants - Revenue (Commercial Taxes) Department - Case under the Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Act, 2018 for the allegation of demand and acceptance of bribe for an amount of Rs.50,000/- against Sri Pounjula Nagendra Prasad, S/o.Late P.Kondaiah, the then Assistant Commissioner (State Tax), Kurnool-1 Circle, O/o.Joint Commissioner (State Tax) of Commercial Taxes Department, Kurnool district, now retired from service from O/o.CCST on 31.10.2020 - Trapped on 07.12.2018 - Departmental proceedings initiated under Rule 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 - Article of charges framed - WSD submitted – Appointment of Presenting Officer - Orders - Issued.

REVENUE (VIGILANCE-VI) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 1249 Dated: 13-10-2025

Read the following:-

1. R.M.in Cr.No.16/RCT-KUR/2018 of DSP, ACB, Kurnool Range, Kurnool, dated 10.12.2018.
2. From the DG, ACB, Lr.Rc.No.133/RCT-KUR/2019-S.6 in preliminary report dated 17.01.2019.
3. G.O.Rt.No.170, Revenue (Vigilance-II) Dept., dated 13.07.2021.
4. From the DG, ACB, Lr.Rc.No.133/RCT-KUR/2018, dated 21.12.2023.
5. From the DG, ACB, Lr.Rc.No.133/RCT-KUR/2018, dated 03.05.2024.
6. G.O.Rt.No.532, Revenue (Vigilance-VI) Dept., dated 05.08.2024.
7. G.O.Rt.No.533, Revenue (Vigilance-VI) Dept., dated 05.08.2024.
8. Written Statement of Defence of Sri Pounjula Nagendra Prasad, AC (ST) (Retd.), dated 26.10.2024.
9. G.O.Rt.No.770, Revenue (Vigilance-VI) Dept., dated 29.07.2025.
10. From the CCST's, Lr.Ref.No.V1/837/2018, dated 06.08.2025.
11. From the DG, ACB, Lr.Rc.No.133/RCT-KUR/2018, dated 17.09.2025.

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ORDER:

Whereas, an inquiry under Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991, is being conducted against Sri Pounjula Nagendra Prasad, the then Assistant Commissioner (State Tax), Kurnool-1 Circle, O/o.Joint Commissioner (State Tax) of Commercial Taxes Department, Kurnool district, now retired from service from O/o.CCST on 31.10.2020 who was trapped by ACB on 07.12.2018 at 18.55 hours when he demanded and accepted bribe amount of Rs.50,000/- from the complainant Sri Penikalapati Venkateswara Rao, Kurnool Town for doing an official favour for "not inspecting the Anupama Hotel run by the complainant in RTC Bus Stand, Kurnool and not to issue notice imposing heavy tax on the hotel and not to impose excess tax by considering the date of agreement i.e., February, 2018 rather than the actual date of running of business by Anupama Hotel i.e., July/August, 2018".

2. Whereas, in the reference 6th read above, Govt., issued sanction orders initiating departmental proceedings in ACB trap case against Sri P.Nagendra Prasad, Assistant Commissioner (State Tax), Kurnool-1 Circle, Kurnool district (now retired) under Rule 9 of Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

3. Whereas, in the reference 7th read above, Govt., issued orders framing article of charges in ACB trap case against Sri P.Nagendra Prasad, the then Assistant Commissioner (State Tax), Kurnool-1 Circle now retired from service on 31.10.2020 under Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991.

4. Whereas, in the reference 9th read above, Sri A.Ravindranath Reddy, Joint Commissioner was appointed as an Inquiry Officer to inquire into the charges framed against the Charged Officer viz., Sri P.Nagendra Prasad, the then Asst.

Commissioner (ST), Kurnool-1 Circle, O/o.Jt.Commr.(ST) of C.T.Dept., Kurnool, now retired from service on 31.10.2020 under Sub-Rule (2) of Rule 20 of A.P.Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991.

5. Whereas, in the reference 11th read above, the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau has requested to nominate Sri M.Srinivasulu, Inspector of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Kurnool as Presenting Officer to present the case before the inquiring authority in support of the article of charges framed against Sri Pounjula Nagendra Prasad, the then Asst.Commissioner (State Tax), Kurnool-1 Circle, O/o. Joint Commissioner (State Tax) of Commercial Tax Department, Kurnool district, now retired from service on 31.10.2020 in place of Sri P.Vamsinath, Inspector of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Kurnool who was repatriated to his parent unit.

6. Now, therefore, the disciplinary authority in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-rule (5) (c) of rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 hereby appoints Sri M.Srinivasulu, Inspector of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Kurnool as Presenting Officer to present the case before the inquiring authority on behalf of the disciplinary authority in support of the article of charges framed against the Charged Officer viz., Sri Pounjula Nagendra Prasad, the then Assistant Commissioner (State Tax), Kurnool-1 Circle, O/o.Joint Commissioner (State Tax) of Commercial Tax Department, Kurnool district, now retired from service on 31.10.2020.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

PEEYUSH KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri M.Srinivasulu, Inspector of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau,
Kurnool (through the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau,
Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada)
The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada
The Retired Charged Officer (through Sri A.Ravindranath Reddy,
Joint Commissioner (State Tax), Chittoor Division (with a request to
serve the copy on the retired Charged Officer and furnish the
acknowledgment to the Government)
The Chief Commissioner of State Tax, Andhra Pradesh,
Kunchanapalli, Guntur district
Sri A.Ravindranath Reddy, Joint Commissioner & Inquiry Officer
(with a request to compete the inquiry as expeditiously within two
months and submit report through CCST without further delay)

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The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner, Andhra Pradesh
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SECTION OFFICER